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Nominating Committee Report

Mary McAfee

he Nominating Committee met September 13, 2004.

The committee was formed by Vera Banner, Acting Chair. Mary McAfee was selected to be the Chair. The committee members Pat Mendiola, Bettie Ward, Lyn Belisle, Vera Banner, and Pat Brown were present at the meeting.

After careful consideration and verifying that the nominees are interested in the various offices, the following names will be submitted to the membership for the election process at the Annual Meeting.

President Linda Nairn
Vice President . Robert LaCaff
Secretary Lucy Gale
Treasurer Nancy Gandara

Board of Directors 2005-2007

Vera Banner Shirley Horner
Betty Kelly Berry Lee LaCaff
Pat Brown Aaron Konstam
Gerard Celitans Maria Pfeiffer
Lou Harris Rowena Rodgers

The floor will be open for nominations at the **Annual Meeting**. You must have the nominee's okay to put their name up for election. A second is not necessary. For more information, call Mary McAfee at 695-9287.

Library Friends' Arts and Letters Awards honors three

Robert LaCaff

Each year, the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library honor members of the community to who contribute in some remarkable way to the cultural enrichment of San Antonio. This year, the Friends 29th Arts and Letters Awards presentation honored three distinctly talented individuals. Awardees were honored for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the literary, artistic, and cultural life of San Antonio. This year's awardees are Joan Christenson, Rick Riordan, and Kathy Vargas, representing Music, Literature, and the Visual Arts, all of which enrich San Antonio for its citizens.

oan Christenson has played in the first violin section of the San Antonio Symphony since



1983. For the past 15 years, she has been Artistic Director of Musical Offerings, San Antonio's elite classical

and jazz chamber music ensemble, well known for its annual Jazz Meet Classical series, now in its fifteenth season. During 1990-1994, Joan was adjunct faculty in violin at Trinity University. She has also performed at many notable summer music festivals and served as Concertmaster with several national symphony orchestras. Symphony Concertmaster Stephanie Sant'Ambrogio introduced Joan at the awards ceremony.

Rick Riordan, local author and educator, has already made his mark with the award-win-



ning *Tres Navarre* mystery novels, which have introduced readers across the country to the San Antonio environs. His fifth novel is a stand-alone thriller, *Cold Springs*, and his first children's book, *Percy Jackson and the Olympian: The Lightning Thief*, will appear

in the summer of 2005. His short fiction has appeared in national mystery magazines. Rick has been honored with the *Master Teacher Award* in the middle school division at St. Mary's Hall. He has presented workshops for numerous organizations throughout the country. Rick was introduced at the award ceremony by **Lyn Belisle**, a recipient of a 2003 Arts and Letters Award.

athy Vargas, currently head of the Art Department of the University of Incarnate



Word, is a photographer and artist of world renown. A native of San Antonio, Vargas has been described as "quiet, without too many people in her hometown noticing that she has become nationally, even internationally, known in the art world for her hand-tinted, multilayered photographs . . ." She was the *San Antonio Art*

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From the President



Dear Friends

Because this is going to be one of my final letters to all, I iust wanted to take this time to say my special Thank You for all the support and help that you have given me these past few years. We have started some new programs with the help of the Library Foundation, and I hope we continue to build upon the mutual support between the Friends and the Foundation. We have the same goals, and it is nice that we could help one another with projects in the past and I hope in the future.

I would like to say Thank You to some people who are not on the Board but who let me call to ask questions when I was not sure of some things. So Thank You Mary, Margaret, and Barbara. Thank You for your help and your time!

We do have some projects in the planning stages, and I am sure our new Board will have projects of their own.

Thank You,

Barbara C. Isner President

Young Pegasus Awards 2005

The San Antonio Public Library is looking for aspiring poets to enter the Young Pegasus Poetry Contest, a writing competition for students from preschool to high school.

For more information, call 732-8369. Librarians are available to visit classrooms to talk to students about the program.

FRIENDS OF THE SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

September 15, 2004

Submitted by Ronnie Retzloff, Secretary

Directors Present: Barbara Isner, Lucy Gale, Ronnie Retzloff, Pat Cummins, Lee LaCaff, Vera Banner, Pat Brown, Lou Harris, Linda Nairn, Rowena Rodgers, Alan Cutler, Robert LaCaff, Lucille Lammert, Josie Martinez, Robbie Rupert, Barbara Stanush, Bettie Ward, and Don Norton.

Directors Absent: Lillian McPherson, Betty
Berry, Shirley Horner,
Lollie Boudrie, Bruce Gill,
Pat Konstam, Yulanee
McKnight, Dr. Mark
Prange, Pat Mendiola
(absent for cause), Maria
Pfeiffer (absent for cause),

Call to Order: Barbara Isner called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Central Library Book Cellar.

President's Report: Jim Wogstad has resigned as chair of the Book Cellar Committee and Board of Directors. The committee needs to meet and elect a new chairman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Branch totals \$62,331.24; Overall total \$123,758.84.

Membership Report: 873 individual members

Library Foundation Guest Kaye Lenox:

 Appealed to support Born to Read Requested a combined partnership between the Foundation and FOSAPL in a grant proposal to gain health and literacy book collections for each library. If the grant is issued, FOSAPL will funnel the money to the library.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that FOSAPL support the health and literacy collection grant. Passed with 1 abstention.

Newsletter: Don Norton is the editor in training.

Arts & Letters Report: October 31 is the date for the awards ceremony. All 3 recipients have accepted. Robert LaCaff showed the invitation and program templates.

Nominations Committee: Vera Banner has passed the work on to the committee composed of Mary McAffee (chair), Pat Mendiola, Pat Brown, Lyn Belisle, and Bettie Ward.

Library Administration: Beth Graham, public relations manager, is currently the liaison between SAPL and the Friends. Beth reported how last year's funds were spent. It was mentioned that the board would like to know how the money will be spent before it is given. It was requested that we look into T-Shirts and backpacks.

Library Foundation: There will be 3 events over the next 2 month:

- Tomas Rivera Mexican Children's Book Award— 6 p.m., Friday, September 17
- *Sleepover*—October 23. September 25 is deadline to sign up.
- Explore the World— October 17. Ryan Valdez from the Smithsonian Institution.

Library Board: John Nicholas and Barbara Isner are moving ahead to bring the different libraries on board. Friends will be on the Planning Committee, most likely as Liaison.

Budget: Pat Cummings and the Budget Committee (Robbie Ruppert, Lee LaCaff, Alan Cutler) are working on the 2005 budget.

Announcements:

Various branch activities, which have been or will be published in the newsletter, were announced:

- Thousand Oaks sale Nov. 6
- Cody sale Oct. 2
- Westfall sale Nov. 13
- McCreless sale Sept 25 and 26
- Westfall Sept. 28– Jean Flynn speaking at the meeting Henry B. Gonzalez: Rebel with a Cause

Adjournment: 8:30 p.m.

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BRANCH LEAVES

(News from Support Groups)



Book Cellar

The Book Cellar will hold a two-forthe-price-of-one clearance sale on two categories of books during November and December: (1) all children's nonfiction, and (2) all adult books in the 300 Dewey Decimal series. The 300s span a wide variety of subjects, including personal finance, family life, men and women, folklore, education, politics, crime, environment, and other social issues. The children's sale includes science, health, history, religion, sports, and poetry. Sale prices will be 25 or 50 cents for two children's books, and 25 cents to \$1 for two adult books.

Also from now through December, the store will have a wide array of seasonal holiday books — Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa -- for children and adults at regular prices.

As you shop for holiday gifts, we invite you to browse the Book Cellar. We're getting a number of new books (without library labels) as donations, and we have lots of gently used books for people with specialized interests or hobbies.

Pat Konstam Book Cellar Correspondent

Brook Hollow

The Brook Hollow Friends would like to invite all Library Friends to join us in honoring **Beverly Jackson** at an open house at the Brook Hollow Library Sunday, January 23, 2005, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Beverly has been the branch manager at Brook Hollow since it opened in 1983. Beverly also was responsible for the formation of the Brook Hollow Friends, and she plans to remain active in our group. Although Beverly has worked tirelessly for many years and her retirement is well earned, we are sad to

see her leave us and hope you will join us to celebrate her career.

We are also gearing up for our fall book sale Saturday, November 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We will set up for the sale Friday, Nov. 5, from 9:00 a.m. until done, usually around 11:00. Any Friends who would like to help set up on Friday or work on Saturday, call **Pat Bjornson**, 497-3279.

Our next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 15. We'll be planning the retirement activities, so please be sure to come.

And finally, we are still anxiously awaiting the start of the Brook Hollow renovations.

Beth Crabb

McCreless

The McCreless book sale was a success. Tom Nemeth designed and constructed some ingenious book holders that fit perfectly over the backs of chairs. Tom reports that he was able to display 518 paperbacks in this manner, and he also reports that there was an increase in sales. Please see the photos on page 5.

Christel Villarreal, McCreless Friend

Oakwell

Oakwell Library has been a very busy location. Some of the good activities that the community participated in were:

Paper Bag Pinatas—This was a workshop presented by Cecilia Esparza. All ages participated with great enthusiasm.

Fear Factor Library Style—This was limited to 30, but many observed the fearful fun.

Hang-A-Roo Tournament—No Kangaroo were harmed in this event.

Candlemaking demonstration—for teens and adults—a huge success.

OJO de DIOS—All ages – to celebrate Hispanic month.

The Snake Man—Gave his presentation, and many people of all ages enjoyed this.

These are some of the happenings at Oakwell. Friends of Oakwell Library feel a part of all this. Through our book sales and the moneys made, we can help with an honorarium and supplies. Also a new paperback rack, security mirror, and a CD rack were recently purchased. It is a joy when we can provide funds for activities and supplies. Our librarian and staff are great facilitators and know how to get the most for the dollar.

Our next book sale is November 20 (Saturday). Y'all come!

Fern Burke, President

Texana/Genealogy

The Friends of Texana/Genealogy had a great meeting on September 27 when **Charlotte Kahl** spoke about the Old Spanish Trail (OST). As the co-chair of Old Spanish Trail 100, Charlotte is working hard to preserve the history of the transcontinental auto highway that once spanned the country from St. Augustine to San Diego. The OST organization had its national headquarters here in San Antonio, and the zero milestone marker for the trail can be seen on Military Plaza on the grounds of City Hall.

Mark your calendars for the annual Friends of Texana/Genealogy book sale that will be held in the Auditorium of the Central Library on Saturday, January 15, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Remember, if you have any books to donate (Texana, genealogy, history, etc.), call **Maria Pfeiffer** at 222-1586 or drop them off at the Texana/Genealogy Department on the 6th floor of the Central Library. All proceeds are used to purchase items that are needed to make the Texana/Genealogy Department a better place to do research! We hope to see you and your friends at the sale!

Maria Watson Pfeiffer President

Thousand Oaks/El Sendero

We will be having our Fall Book Sale on Saturday, November 6. The hours of the sale are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We expect to have for sale many children's books, as well as adult fiction and non-fiction. We will also have a table of "special" books and a table for audio tapes, video tapes, CDs, and records. Come do your Christmas shopping early!

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A&L Awards, from page 1.

League Artist of the Year in 1998. She has been displayed in numerous one-person and group exhibitions and has art lectured throughout the United States and in England and Mexico. Her art is found in private collections and displayed in corporate venues, state museums, university, and at the Smithsonian Museum of American Art, Washington, D.C. Local poet, author, and publisher Bryce Milligan introduced Ms. Vargas at the awards ceremony.

An award ceremony and reception in honor of this year's recipients of the Friends' Arts and Letters Awards was held Sunday, October 31, in the Auditorium of the Central Library. Admission to the event was free and open to the public.

WANTED

Newsletter Mailing Team

Will Train

Rowena Rodgers and Westfall Friends have been handling the bundling and mailing of our newsletters for several years now, and McCreless Friends did it before that. It's time now for another group to step forward and enjoy this opportunity to get together every two months and support the Friends. Newsletters need to be picked up at Southwest Research Institute where they're printed, then prepared for mailing and delivered to the Bulk Mailing unit at the Perrin-Beitel Post Office.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact **Rowena Rodgers** at 344-1657.

Branch Leaves, from page 3.

We also will get together early in December to decorate the library for the winter holidays.

The Thousand Oaks Friends hosted our annual staff appreciation luncheon on Wednesday, September 22. All the library workers were treated to barbeque sausage, brisket, coleslaw, beans, and potatoes with all the fixings. We also served home-baked desserts. Everyone enjoyed the food and especially the fellowship!

Linda NairnBranch President

Westfall

At our September meeting we greatly enjoyed **Jean Flynn's** "insights" into the lives of many of Texas' outstanding women, whom she described in *Texas Women Who Dared To Be First*. In Jean's honor, the Westfall Friends placed a copy of her new biography, *Henry B. Gonzalez: Rebel with a Cause*, in the Westfall collection, as we are very proud to claim her as one of our own San Antonio authors.

Metta Chicka, recently retired Manager of the Cody Branch Library, led the dedication of the new Westfall atlas and map cabinet to the memory of her longtime friend and mentor, Barbara Harris—Westfall's first librarian. Barbara's daughter, Barbara Shepard, and Elizabeth Shepard represented the family at this special occasion.

UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS AT WESTFALL BRANCH

Monday, November 8, 2004, from 6:00–8:00 p.m., the History Club at Westfall will sponsor a special "Ancient Games Night." The club has been researching ancient board games played by Egyptians, Africans, Romans, Chinese and Japanese. There will be replicas of the games available to play (with help and advice from club members!). The public is invited to take part. (Sorry, old video games are not ancient enough!)

Saturday, November 13, 2004, 9:30–4:00 p.m. Westfall Friends are having a used book sale with great bargains for both children and adults.

Bettie WardPresident

Writer Friends

The well-attended Writer Friends September program was entertaining and informative. The panel of mystery writers, Jay Brandon, Rick Riordan, and David Liss, introduced by Jean Flynn, discussed the business of being a mystery writer. Acting as moderator, Brandon directed the discussion among the three panelists. He said readership is declining and narrowing, yet a profusion of books is being published.

"To break into the field now, you need some kind of innovation," Brandon said.

"Forget wanting to be published and find what you must write," Riordan advised. "You need a hook, a sense of freshness." He said there's a danger in over-researching and not writing. "Finish your book first before trying to find an agent or publisher."

Liss said, "Make friends with the reference librarian. Learn enough about your topic so you don't have to worry about it. Your best guide to plots is to take the books you enjoy reading and take them apart."

"Go to actual locations to get ideas," suggested Brandon. "Go to authorities on the subject."

Regarding daily discipline, the panelists said deadlines are good. Find your own productivity biorhythms and trust your instincts. Writing is hard work, write what you enjoy.

The program for the November 9th meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Central Library auditorium will consist of a panel representing San Antonio presses. Scheduled are **Palmer Hall** of Pecan Grove Press, **Joe Labatt** of Corona Press, **Bryce Milligan** of Wings Press, and **Barbara Ras** of Trinity University Press.

The nominating committee, **Vera Banner**, **Bob Flynn**, and **Marian Martinello**, will present a slate of officers for the years 2005 and 2006. Voting will take place after the floor is opened for nominations.

Junette Kirkham Woller, Secretary

In Memoriam

Our sincerest condolences to **Marti Nodine**, former *SAPLings* editor, upon the death of her mother, **Amelia Virginia McRee Lockhart Garrett.**

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Art in Berlin Fifteen Years after the Fall of the Wall Salute to Berliner Luft

A month-long celebration focusing on what happened in Berlin after the Wall came down. Reflections on creative developments will be pivotal to this overview of the last fifteen years in Berlin.

Organized by the San Antonio
Public Library Foundation
Co-Chairs are **Dr. Angelika Jansen- Brown** and **Mr. Rick Liberto**

Public Art Presentation: Sunday, November 7, 3:00 p.m.

The Dividing Wall Is Gone~United the Arts Live On Central Library, 600 Soledad

Youth from the Central Library's YouthWired department and students from San Antonio's public schools will present a PowerPoint presentation representing art from the Berlin Wall as well as their interpretation of what the art represents. The presentation will run on a continuous loop at the entrance of the Library. Coordinator: Central Library YouthWired Librarian, Jennifer Velasquez. FREE and open to the public

Opening Reception Tuesday, November 9 Gallery at the Central Library 600 Soledad 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Artists: Peter Foeller, Klaus Killisch, Matthias Koeppel, Barbara Metselaar-Berthold and Wolfgang Petrick. Exhibition of three former East German and two former West German artists. All are represented in the museums of Berlin as important artists and/or trendsetters in the development of contemporary art in Berlin. The photosequence "Hausvogteiplatz" by UTSA professor and internationally exhibited photographer Ron Binks will serve as a birdseye view to contemporary Berlin.

Exhibition continues through December 15. It is FREE and open to the public.

Oakwell Book Sale a Success











- Prepared and waiting for 11:00 a.m. when the sale will begin.
- Two Board members, Dagney Darnell and Mary McVicker, preparing for the sale.
- 3, 4, & 5. Book sale in progress. As you can see, we were very busy.



increased sales.







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Treasurer's Report as of September 15, 2004

FOSAPL

ASSETS		
Accounts	Balance	
Cash and Bank Accounts TOTAL ASSETS	176,872.63 176,872.63	
LIABILITIES		
Branch Funds	53,113.79	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	53,113.79	
OVERALL TOTAL	123,758.84	
BRANCHES		
BROOK HOLLOW	16,363.49	
CARVER	1,487.23	
CODY	5,610.96	
JOHNSTON McCRELESS	757.53 2,870.58	
OAKWELL	7,758.89	
TEENS	55.89	
TEXANA/GENEALOGY	7,062.62	
THOUSAND OAKS	2,677.04	
WESTFALL	5,116.01	
WRITERS	3,353.55	
TOTAL BRANCH FUNDS	53,113.79	

Memorials and Donations

Memorials

In Memory of	Ву	
Jeanne Dean	Cathy Dean	
Amelia Garrett	Cathy Dean	

Sheila Figueroa, Chair, Memorials/Donations

Nominations Sought for Library Champions

The San Antonio Public Library Board of Trustees is seeking nominations for the 2004 Library Champion Awards. These awards recognize individuals (not employed by the Library) and organizations for their substantial involvement with the Library system, or who have contributed time, talent, or resources that resulted in the enhancement of Library service in San Antonio.

Nomination forms are available at any Library location, on the Library website, or by calling (210) 207-2638. Completed forms may be mailed to the San Antonio Public Library Public Relations Office, 600 Soledad Plaza, San Antonio, Texas 78205, faxed to (210) 207-2603, or emailed to librarywebadmin@sanantonio.gov.

The deadline for entry is November 15, 2004, and awards will be presented at the Library Board of Trustees meeting on Wednesday, January 26, 2005.

For more information, call (210) 207-2500.

Library Board News

Cathy Dean

Director Search

Robert Beezat, president of the PAR Group, the consulting firm selected to conduct the Library Director search, visited September 7 and 8. Mr. Beezat met with representatives of all stakeholders in the process (Library Board, City, Library Staff, Foundation, and Friends) and then worked with the Library Board Search Committee on a recruitment profile. The position is now being widely advertised in the library community, and the consultant anticipates we can interview finalists in December before the Christmas holidays.

Library Board expands FOSAPL role

The SAPL Board of Trustees recently reviewed and modified the purpose, structure, and members of its standing committees. One of the changes was to add a Friends representative to the Planning Committee, which meets at least quarterly to consider such matters as the Library's Master Plan and to monitor goals and objectives. The Planning Committee will now consist of the following members:

- Board Chair
- Past Chair
- Two additional Library Board members
- Library Director
- Two Foundation Board members
- One Friends Board member

FY 2005/2006 Budget

On August 26, as part of the regular City Council agenda, Library Board Chair **John Nicholas** made a presentation to the City Council about the Library budget. During his presentation, he highlighted recent usage trends as well as the Library's budget needs for operation and maintenance. Following that, Acting Library Director

Aubrey George briefed City Council on the Library budget developed with the City Manager and approved by the Library Board. As required by the City of all departments, the Library's budget included possible revenue enhancements (fees) as well as proposed areas for budget reductions. City Council approved the Library budget of \$20,842,120 September 16 without any reductions. Although there are concerns about some of the new fees and fine increases, all were accepted and became effective October 1. Please keep in mind that the additional revenue helped the Library avoid budget reductions that would have reduced library hours and eliminated some staff positions.

New automation system coming soon

Library Automation System Manager Martha Knott and an Implementation Committee are working hard on the transition to Millenium, a new automation system from Innovative Interfaces Inc. Both the catalog and web access will have new faces by the end of December and will offer many improvements to patrons and staff. And what we'll see in January is just the beginning. Additional technology modules are being phased in after the initial installation, so patrons can look forward to more new features in the coming year.

Library Board meetings

Many thanks to the Westfall Friends for treating the Board to refreshments at the October 27 meeting. Our next regular meeting, open to the public, is at 4:30 pm, Wednesday, December 8, at Central Library. You can check meeting schedules and other Board information at www.sanantonio.gov/library/board/.

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Form for Gifts, Donations, and Memorials

Honor a loved one with a remembrance for birthdays,	Acknowledgement to:
anniversaries, or "just because." It can also be a wonderful, thoughtful, and lasting way to honor the memory of a relative	Name
or friend. If you do not want to make a contribution at this time, clip	Address
this form and save it for the appropriate occasion.	City, State, Zip
I would like to make the following donation:	
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☐ Special event (birthday, graduation, etc.)	Name
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City, State, Zip	Please fill out in full, make your check payable to: Friends of the San Antonio Public Library
Amount \$ (All donations are tax deductible.)	and mail to: Sheila Figueroa, Chair Friends of the San Antonio Public Library (FOSAPL) P.O. Box 831174 San Antonio, Texas 78283-1174
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FRIENDS of the SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY Membership Application

Name		
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Telephone		
Individual (Adult)	\$ 10	New Member
Dual (Adult)	\$ 20	Renewal
Individual (Teen, Ages 13-18)	\$ 5	
Patron (Per Person)	\$ 50	Branch Group
Contributing (Per Person)	\$100	Additional Donation \$
Life (Per Person)	\$250	TOTAL ENCLOSED \$
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I'd like to volunteer at the Book	Cellar (used b	pook store).
Please call me: I'd like to be an	active particip	ant.
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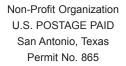
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(Note: Membership is from Jan. 1—Dec. 31. Members receive a renewal notice in early Dec.)

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CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Please refer to the Branch Leaves for support group meetings. It's a good idea to call and verify information before setting out for a meeting or program. Sometimes dates or times change after newsletter publication.

November 6 Brook Hollow Friends book sale, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

November 6 Thousand Oaks Friends book sale, 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

November 8 Ancient Games Night, Westfall, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

November 9 Writer Friends meeting, featuring a panel of San Antonio presses, Central Library Auditorium,

7:00 p.m.

November 10 **Board Meeting**, Central Library Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

November 13 Westfall Friends book sale, 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Brook Hollow Friends meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Oakwell Friends book sale, 11:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

December 11-12 McCreless Friends book sale, Sat., 9:00 a.m.-4:45 p.m., and Sun., 1:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

December 15 McCreless Friends meeting, 7:00 p.m.

January 15 Texana/Genealogy Friends book sale, Central Library, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. January 23 Open House honoring Beverly Jackson, Brook Hollow, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Note: Each branch Friends group has a designated representative to the Board. However, these Board meetings are open to the general membership. All members are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Brook Hollow Library 530 Heimer Road, 78232 (210) 496-6315

Cody Library

11441 Vance Jackson, 78230 (210) 696-6396

(210) 090-0390

Central Library 600 Soledad Street, 78205 (210) 207-2534

McCreless Library 1023 Ada Street, 78223 (210) 532-4254

Oakwell Library

4134 Harry Wurzbach, 78209 (210) 828-2569

Thousand Oaks Library

4618 Thousand Oaks, 78233 (210) 657-5205

Westfall Library

6111 Rosedale Court, 78201 (210) 344-2373

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